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Re: Recognizing Joe Tilden

Photo Caption: Longtime producer Joe Tilden sits down in front of our green screen at PEGTV studios to tape a new episode of his show "Big Joe's Journal".

PEGTV Recognizes 700th episode for Joe Tilden

Rutland, VT – Television producer Joe Tilden of Rutland has been recognized by PEGTV for his commitment and dedication to public access programming. Tilden is one of the longest running independent producers of in-studio content in PEGTV history.

"Every week Joe enters PEGTV with a pleasant greeting and eagerness to tape. He is a walking encyclopedia of knowledge and information and his dedication to the community and his show is inspiring," boasts Chelsea Tice, PEGTV channel 21 coordinator.

Tilden is a VIP (volunteer independent producer) and host of his own show named "Big Joe's Journal" that airs on the PEGTV channel 21 on Sunday nights at 8:30 p.m. Tilden began producing and hosting his first show in 1997 called "Democrats Today." The show ended in 2001 and he went on to produce "Civically Speaking" which led to the formation of "Big Joe's Journal", a show specifically formatted as a one-person talk show where Tilden could speak his mind on various subjects. Throughout his 19 years on PEGTV he has taken some short hiatuses but always returned to exercise his freedom of speech through public access and is one of our most dedicated VIPs producing a new show almost every week.

"Joe Tilden is a PEGTV fixture. He is a perfect example of how to exercise your freedom of speech rights," said Tom Leypoldt, PEGTV executive director. "Mr. Tilden continues to bring a wealth of historical knowledge and political opinion to the station. He has quite a following and is just an all around 'good Joe'."

PEGTV is comprised of Comcast Channels 15, 20 and 21 and VTel channels 163, 164, and 165 and is available throughout Rutland County to all cable subscribers. Streaming programming, hyper-local weather forecasts, and video on demand services are also available online at www.pegtv.com.

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